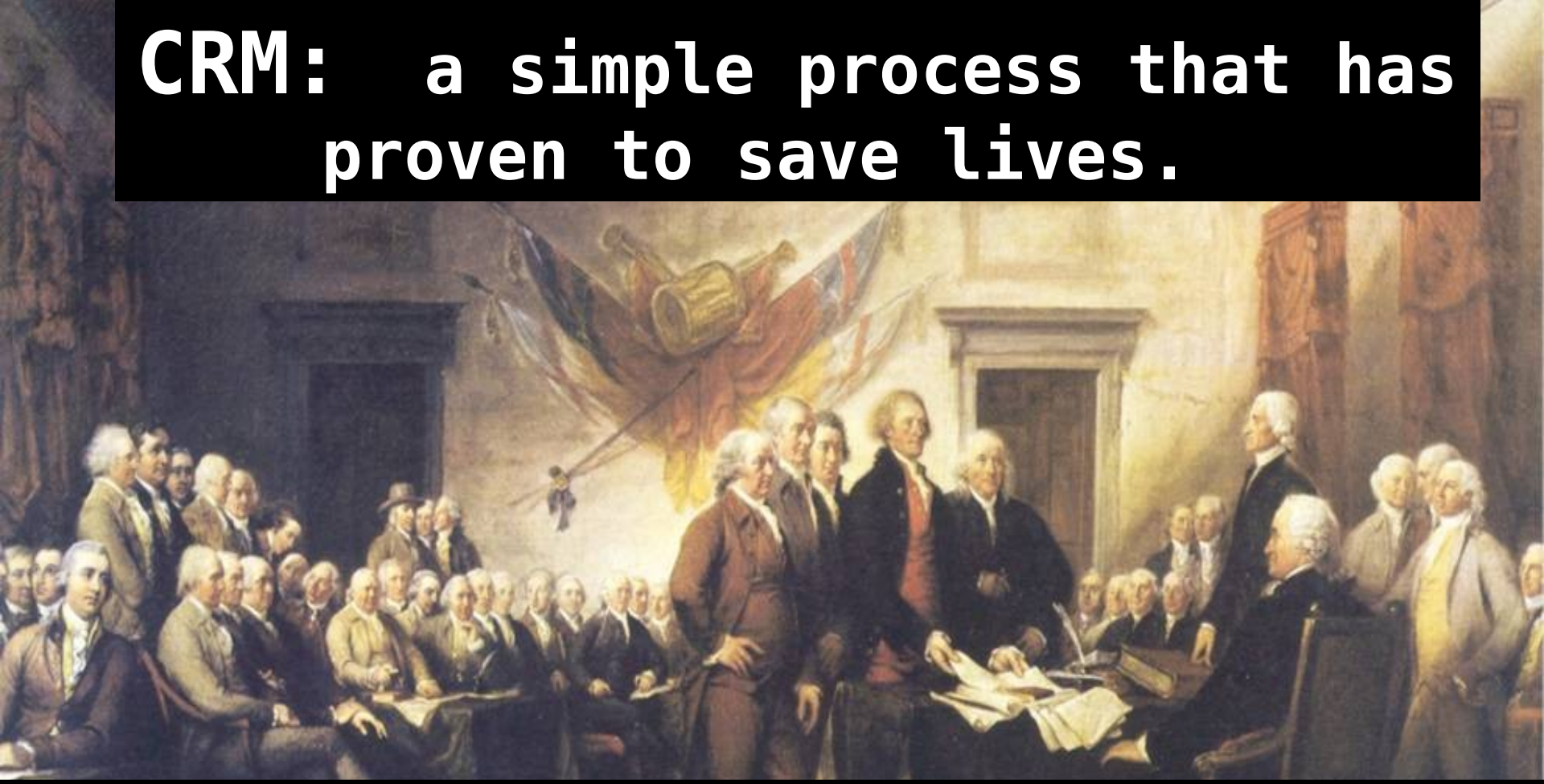
The JBLM Safety Office wants to wish you and yours a safe and fun 4th of July. Please take a few moments to read through this general safety briefing. It contains some basic information and tips to make your holiday a safe one.

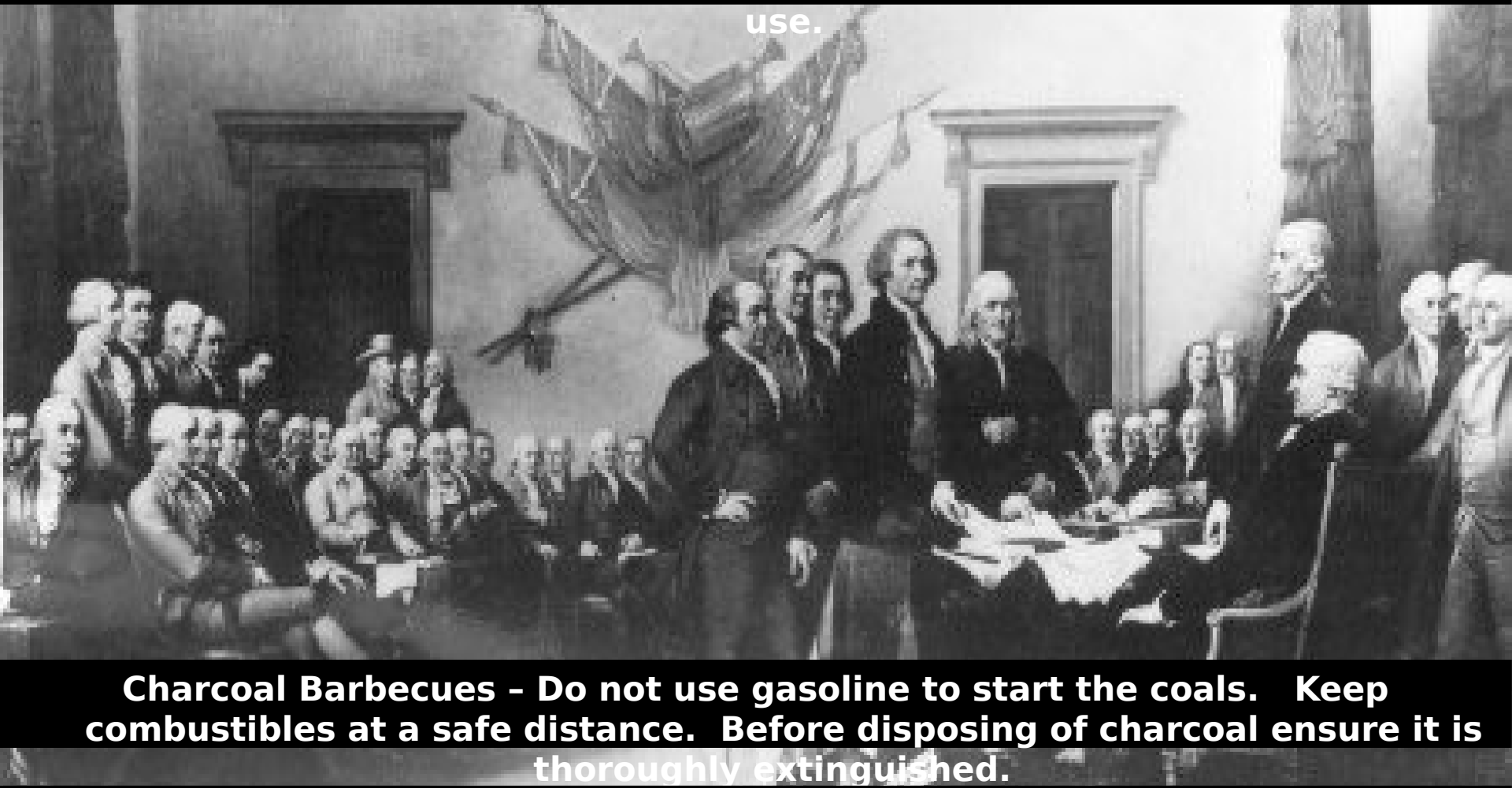
As you celebrate our Nation's Independence, remember to use Composite Risk Management (CRM). One minor distraction could alter your life or

CRM: a simple process that has proven to save lives.



Identify the hazards associated with your activity.
Assess the RISK, the “what if” factor. (what would happen if this occurred…)
Take action to minimize injury occurrence. (know emergency procedures)
Monitor the OUTCOME and make adjustments as conditions change.

Gas Barbecues – Keep lid open when attempting to light. Inspect connections to make sure no damage has occurred. Nearly 60% of gas barbecue fires spread to adjacent properties. Don't store extra tanks near your barbecue. Prevent grease from dripping onto hoses or the cylinder. Keep combustibles at a safe distance. Ensure all valves are secure after each use.

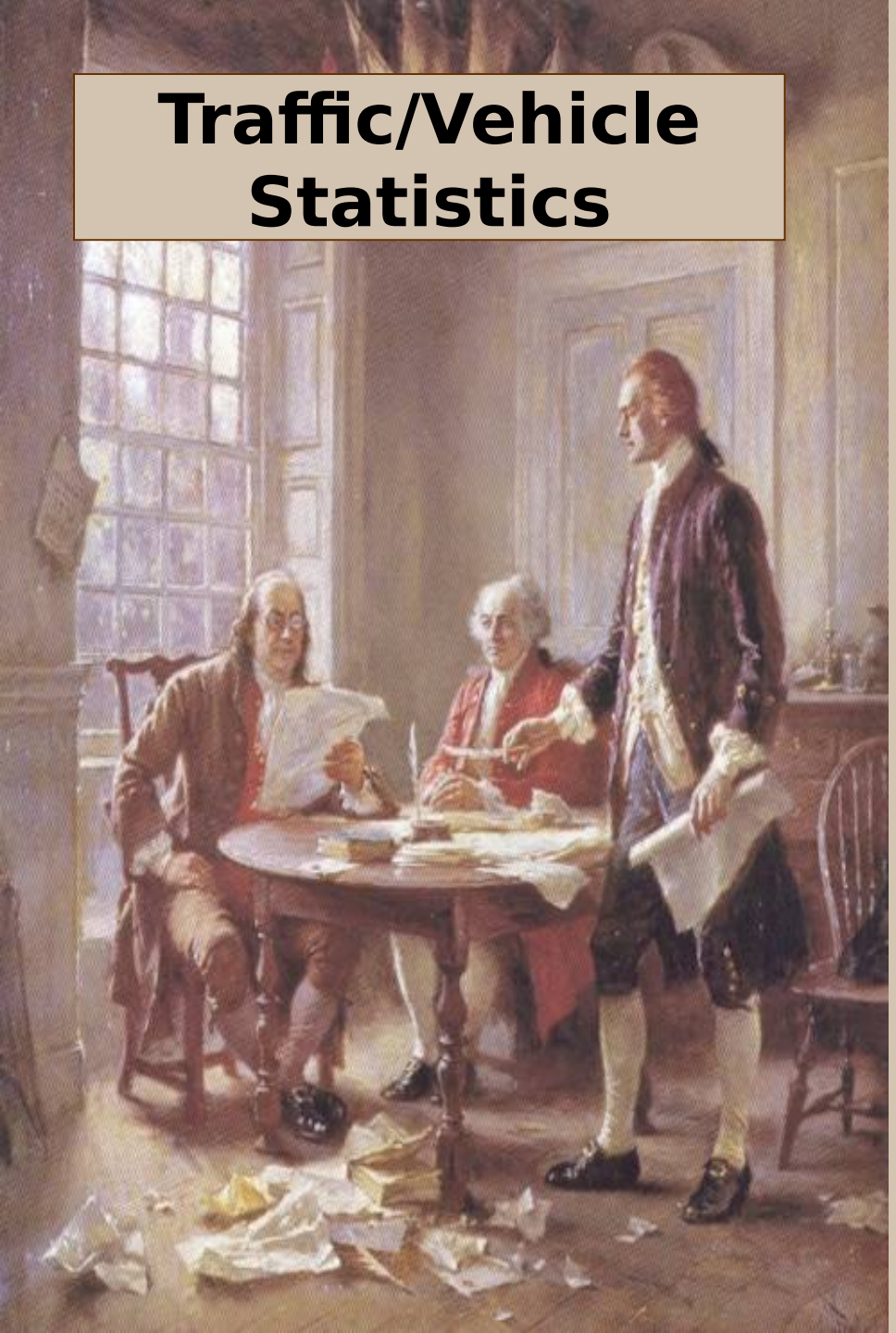


Charcoal Barbecues – Do not use gasoline to start the coals. Keep combustibles at a safe distance. Before disposing of charcoal ensure it is thoroughly extinguished.

NEVER allow children to use or play near a barbecue, have a fire extinguisher nearby, use long handled utensils, wear proper clothing, select a barbecue that bears the Underwriters Laboratories label, keep it in good working

In all activities, give the weather a big margin of interest and respect it. Don't under-estimate it because it could kill you. Thunderstorms/Lightning are deadly, if you can hear thunder, you can be struck by lightning.

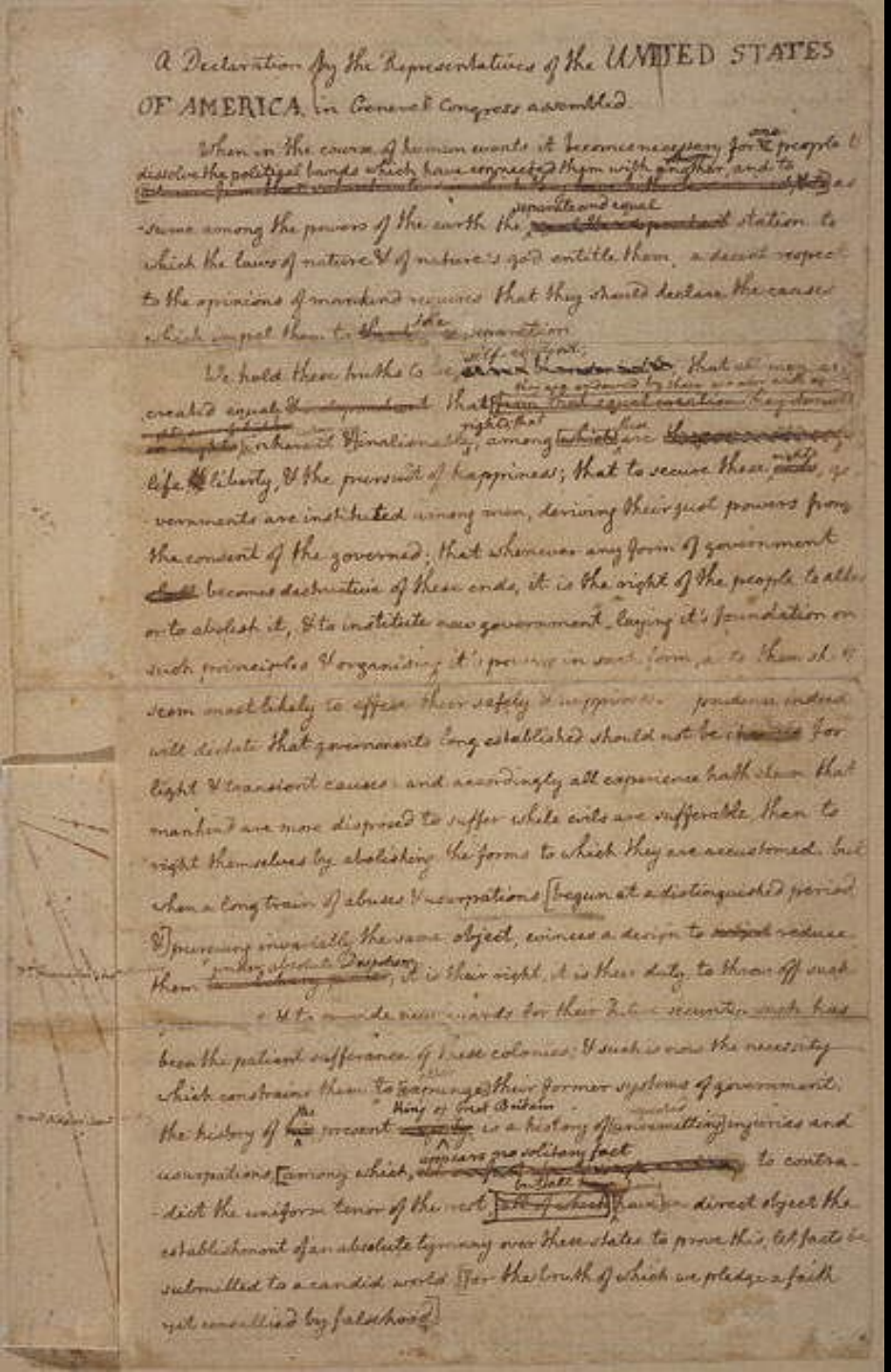
At the beach and outside: Apply sunscreen and reapply it throughout the day. If you find yourself caught in a rip current, remain calm and try to swim parallel to the beach until you get out of it. Swim in an area with lifeguards on duty and heed posted warning flags. Respect nature and the heat associated with it. Stay hydrated and limit outside activities during the hottest time of



Traffic/Vehicle Statistics

July 4th is the second most deadly holiday period of the year – just behind New Year's – due to impaired driving.

In 2004, 48 percent of all traffic fatalities that occurred in crashes during the Fourth of July holiday involved a driver, motorcycle operator or non occupants with blood alcohol concentrations (BAC) of .01 and higher. Of those fatalities, 89 percent involved were in crashes where the BAC level was .08 or higher.



Impaired driving is one of America's deadliest problems, it is no accident and is not a victimless crime.

Overall in 2004, more than 15,000 people died in highway crashes involving a driver or motorcycle operator with a BAC of .01 or higher. Of those, nearly 13,000 were in crashes where the BAC was .08 or higher.

Legislators and law enforcement officials are becoming even more vigilant in combating impaired driving. 2004 marked the first year that .08 percent BAC laws were enacted in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

41% of the 1,672 motorcycle operators who died in single-vehicle crashes in 2004 had BAC levels of .08 or higher.

Alcohol affects the skills essential to operate a motorcycle – balance and coordination.

In 2004, 28% of all fatally injured motorcycle operators had BAC levels of .08 or higher. An additional 6% had lower alcohol levels (BAC .01 to .07). The age groups of 30-39 and 40-49 are those with the highest rates of alcohol involvement for motorcycle operators in fatal crashes.

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THOMAS JEFFERSON of Virginia, JOHN ADAMS of Massachusetts, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN of Pensylvania, ROGER SHERMAN of Connecticut, ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON of New York,
were appointed June 11th 1776 a Committee to draw up a Declaration in accordance with the resolution offered in Congress, June 7th 1776, by Richard Henry Lee, of Virginia,
(who being suddenly called to the bedside of his sick wife, was unable to serve personally upon the Committee.) the Declaration was prepared by the Chairman,
Thomas Jefferson, and with few alterations reported by the Committee to the Congress July 1st and at mid day July 4th 1776, the Thirteen Colonies were declared,
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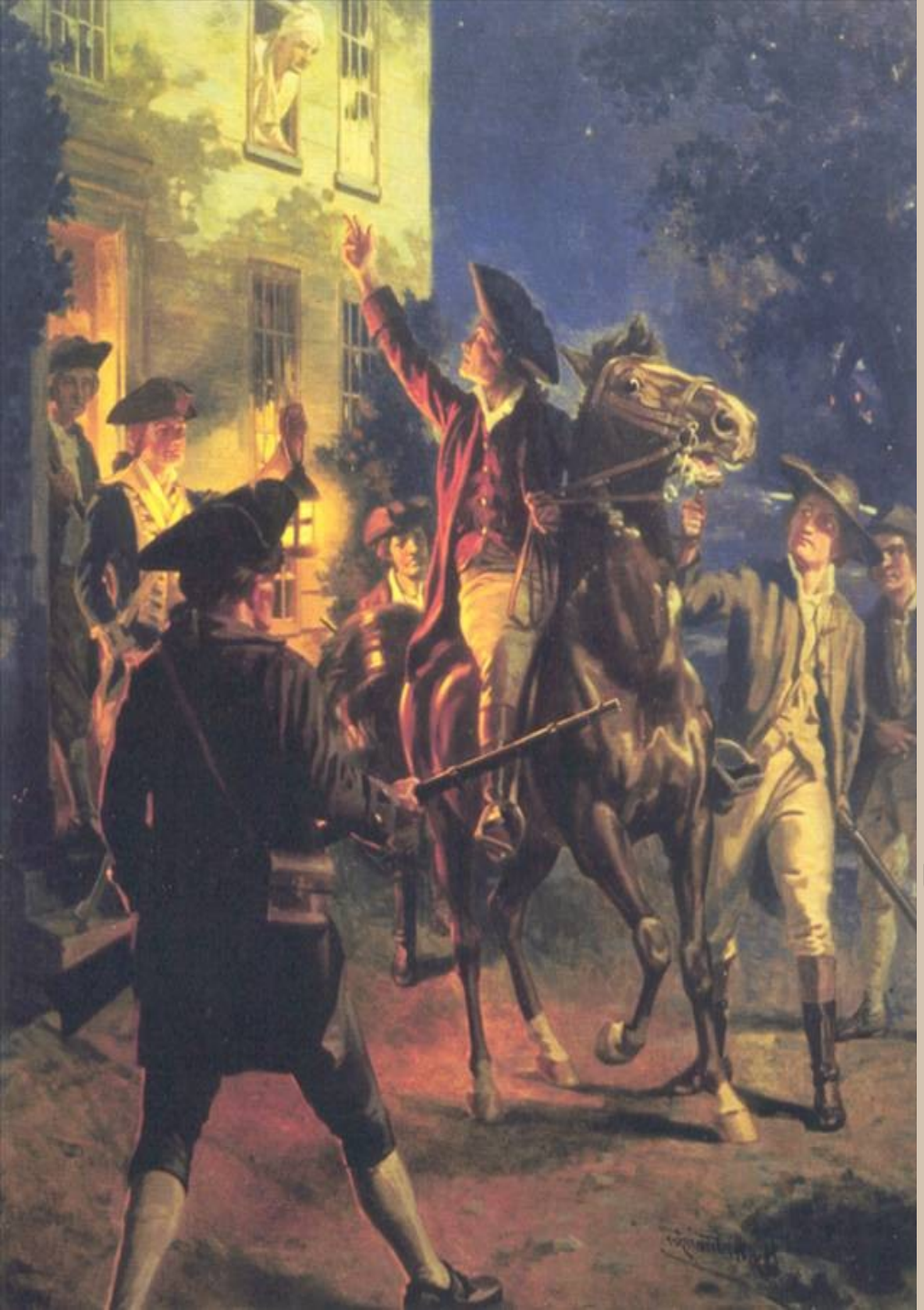

SLOW DOWN and WEAR YOUR SEAT BELT. Speeding reduces your ability to steer around objects. You never know what is in the road. Avoid driving between the hours of midnight and 0600. Fatigue can strike without warning when driving and don't forget about distracted driving as well.

Use caution when using over the counter drugs, driving drowsy can be just as deadly. Get plenty of rest and make stops to stretch, don't push it. Nothing is worth losing your life.

Motorcycle Riders: While traveling to/from celebrations on motorcycles, remember to make yourself visible. Wear the proper PPE and don't assume vehicles know you are riding next to them. Maintain proper following distances.

For Boater's: Don't exceed max vessel capacity, wear approved flotation devices, tell someone where you are headed, use a float plan. Water craft are just as hazardous as automobiles. Get training before operating those wave runners, jet ski's, ATV's etc… Watch out for other boaters and skiers.

The tragedies and costs from drinking and driving impaired do not just end at the potential death, disfigurement, disability and injury caused by impaired drivers.

The consequences are serious and real. Not only do you risk killing/disabling yourself or someone else, but the trauma and financial costs of a crash or an arrest for driving while impaired will stay with you the rest of your life.

Have a Safe & Enjoyable
4th of July Holiday
We want you back!